



Welcome to First Baptist Church, Shreveport. We are a family of faith, from diverse backgrounds and ages, committed to following Jesus together. We strive to grow together in faith, to love God in our worship, and to embrace the call of Jesus in missions and ministry. I hope you experience God in a special way in worship today. We have Bible Study groups for all ages at 9:15 am each Sunday, and these are a great way to get to know the church.

Welcome to the First Baptist Family!
Jeff

Sermon Notes:

Focal verse for January:

On coming to the house, they saw the Child with his mother Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped Him. Then they opened their treasures and presented Him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they returned to their country by another route. Matthew 2:11-12

Announcements:

Today's worship service will be broadcast on KPXJ CW21 next Sunday at 8:00 am.

To our Guests: We are delighted that you joined us today! Near each entrance to the church, we have a gift for you. If one of our church family has not handed you a packet, we hope that you will take one! Packets include both information and a couple of small gifts you may enjoy. Please join us, again, in the future! Our Pastor would love to meet you as you leave the sanctuary!

Attention Parents: Our cry room is located in the Bridal Suite on the West side of our Foyer. There are kids' worship folders located in each side hall of the Sanctuary.

Our **Online Church Directory** launched Wednesday, January 11. If we don't have your photo, it's not too late. Please get it to us as soon as possible. You may bring it in to the office or email/message it to any staff member. You may also upload it directly to the website, if you would like.

Our **Media Ministry** needs volunteers. If you would be interested in operating a camera or computer during our morning worship service, please contact Glen Adkins at 841-8434.

Youth Planet Wisdom Conference for youth 6th-12th grade is February 24-25 in Dallas. Deadline to sign up is January 29. Register online at www.fbcshreveport.org.

Special called **Church Conference** is Sunday, January 29 immediately following worship. It will be a vote on calling prospective Chinese Minister, Andy Liu.

Ice Up South Highlands will be Sunday, January 29 from 4:00-6:00 pm. If you are able to serve please contact Meredith or Ronney Joe.

Super, Shoe-per, Souper Sunday is February 5. Please bring gently used men's or women's shoes and/or cans of soup to worship that day.

Early Bird Class continues in room 104 at 8:15 am each Sunday. A new series begins February 12 *A Walk Through the Bible* (The Old Testament). All are welcome.

The **First Baptist Church School** Board of Trustees is accepting nominations for Board members until February 28, 2017. Please submit names to May May May (FBCS Board of Trustees Nominating Committee Chair) mayx3@comcast.net or Susie Holton (FBCS Board of Trustees Chair) spholton@bellsouth.net.

Our Staff

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Worship

Prelude *Lobe den Herren*
Tara Partington, organ *Pachelbel*

Choral Introit *Arise, Shine, Your Light Has Come*
Sanctuary Choir *Mary McDonald*

*Hymn of Praise 14 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, who over all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires ever have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.**

**Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.**

*Invocation Ronney Joe Webb

Welcome to Worshipers

*Doxology

During the singing of the Doxology all children are invited to
come to the front for the Children's Sermon

Children's Sermon Jeff Raines

*Hymn

Here I Am to Worship

**Light of the World you stepped down into darkness.
Open my eyes let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
Hope of a life spent with you.**

Chorus:

**Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.**

**King of all days, oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created.
All for love's sake became poor. (Chorus)**

Scripture Reading Meredith Hanna
Romans 10:6-15 (pew Bible page 802)

Testimony Barry Simmons

*Hymn

Just As I Am/I Come Broken

**Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me,
And that Thou bidst me come to Thee, O, Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

**Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot.
To Thee whose blood can cleanse each spot,**

O, Lamb of God, I come, I come.

**I come broken to be mended, I come wounded to be healed,
I come desperate to be rescued, I come empty to be filled,
I come guilty to be pardoned, by the blood of Christ the Lamb
And I'm welcomed with open arms, praise God, just as I am.**

**Just as I am, I would be lost, but mercy and grace my freedom bought,
And now to glory in Your cross, O, Lamb of God, I come, I come.**

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Daryl Griffin

Offertory

Eric Vandiver, piano

Anthem

Sanctuary Choir, Gale Odom, directing

It Is Well with My Soul
arr. Mark Edwards

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
What ever my lot, Thou has taught me to say,
It is well, it is well, with my soul.
It is well, (it is well) with my soul, (with my soul),
It is well, it is well, with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
Even so, it is well with my soul.

Sermon: Hearing is Believing Jeff Raines
1 Kings 19:11-13 (pew Bible page 245)

*Hymn of Response 54

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Opportunities for Service

Ronney Joe Webb

Sharing of Decisions for Christ

*Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand